

homeless veterans reintegration programs, S. 3163, to improve access to medical examinations required by veterans to obtain disability compensation or pension under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and an original bill entitled, “Veterans Benefits Improvement Act”, after receiving testimony from Brianne Ogilvie, Assistant Deputy Undersecretary for Policy and Oversight, Veterans Benefits Administration, Jill DeBord, Executive Director, Care Management and Social Work, Veterans Health Administration, and Marjorie Bowman, Chief Academic Affiliations Officer, Office of Academic Affiliations, both of the Veterans Health Administration, and Christopher A. Wilber, Counselor to the Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and Jeremy M. Villanueva, Disabled American Veterans, and Patrick Murray, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intel-

ligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

ILLICIT DRUG TRADE AND CORRUPTION

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine the nexus between the illicit drug trade and corruption, after receiving testimony from Todd D. Robinson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Bruce C. Swartz, Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Counselor for International Affairs, Department of Justice; Shannon N. Green, Executive Director of the Anti-Corruption Task Force and Senior Advisor to the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development; John Brandolino, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Vienna, Austria; Vanda Felbab-Brown, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Clay R. Fuller, University of South Carolina Walker Institute, Columbia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 5991–6013; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 64–65; and H. Res. 796–802, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 795, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 789) censuring Representative Paul Gosar (H. Rept. 117–174).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Espaillat to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Censuring Representative Paul Gosar: The House agreed to H. Res. 789, censuring Representative Paul Gosar, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 223 yeas to 207 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 379. Subsequently, the House has resolved: that Representative Gosar be censured;

that Representative Gosar forthwith present himself in the well of the House of Representatives for the pronouncement of censure;

that Representative Gosar be censured with the public reading of this resolution by the Speaker; and that Representative Gosar be, and is hereby, removed from the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Oversight and Reform. **Pages H6336–48**

H. Res. 795, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 789) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 222 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 378, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 221 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 377.

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House Democracy Partnership-Appointment:

The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to the House Democracy Partnership: Representative Price (NC), Chair; Representatives Moore (WI), Titus, Connolly, Lieu, Torres (CA), Kelly (IL), Sewell, DeGette, Lee (CA), and Cicilline.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6329.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6335, H6336, and H6347.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRADE POLICY AND PRIORITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing entitled “Trade Policy and Priorities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. ROLE IN GLOBAL COVID-19 VACCINE EQUITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “U.S. Role in Global COVID-19 Vaccine Equity”. Testimony was heard from Gary Disbrow, Director, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, Department of Health and Human Services; David Kessler, Chief Science Officer for COVID-19 Task Force, Department of Health and Human Services; and Loyce Pace, Director, Office of Global Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services.

EXAMINING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COVID-19 EDUCATION FUNDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education; and Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a joint hearing entitled “Examining the Implementation of COVID-19 Education Funds”. Testimony was heard from Cindy Marten, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; and James Kvaal, Under Secretary, Department of Education.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5561, the “Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 5487, the “SHINE for Autism Act of 2021”; H.R. 1193, the “CAROL Act”; H.R. 1667, the “Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act”; H.R. 3320, the “Allied Health Workforce Diversity Act of 2021”; H.R. 4555, the “Oral Health Literacy and Awareness Act of 2021”; H.R. 5551, the “Improving the Health of Children Act”; H.R. 3537, the “Accelerating Access to Critical Therapies for ALS Act”; H.R. 1218, the “Data Mapping to Save Moms’ Lives Act”; H.R. 2501, the “Spectrum Coordination Act”; and H.R. 5502, the “Integrity, Notification, and Fairness in Online Retail Marketplaces for Consumers Act”. H.R. 5561, H.R. 5487, H.R. 1193, H.R. 1667, H.R. 3320, H.R. 5551, H.R. 3537, H.R. 1218, and H.R. 2501 were or-

dered reported, as amended. H.R. 4555 and H.R. 5502 were ordered reported, without amendment.

THE FY22 BUDGET: STATE DEPARTMENT COUNTERTERRORISM BUREAU

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “The FY22 Budget: State Department Counterterrorism Bureau”. Testimony was heard from Chris Landberg, Acting Principal Deputy Coordinator, Bureau of Counterterrorism, Department of State.

A WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT APPROACH TO COMBATTING RANSOMWARE: EXAMINING DHS’S ROLE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation held a joint hearing entitled “A Whole-of-Government Approach to Combatting Ransomware: Examining DHS’s Role”. Testimony was heard from Robert Silvers, Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security; Brandon Wales, Executive Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Jeremy Sheridan, Assistant Director of Investigations, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4445, the “Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021”; H.R. 612, the “Downwinders Parity Act of 2021”; H.R. 1621, the “Prohibiting Punishment of Acquitted Conduct Act of 2021”; H.R. 5720, the “Courthouse Ethics and Transparency Act of 2021”; H.R. 5961, to make revisions in title 5, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code; and H.R. 5982, to make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code. H.R. 4445, H.R. 612, and H.R. 5720 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1621, H.R. 5961, and H.R. 5982 were ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 404, the “Driftnet Modernization and Bycatch Reduction Act of 2021”; H.R. 667, the “Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center Access Improvement Act”; H.R. 1931, the “Japanese American Confinement Education Act”; H.R. 2026, the